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To: Senate Bill No. 1011

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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF OPIOID ANTAGONISTS AND EPINEPHRINE CARTRIDGE INJECTORS BY POLICE OFFICERS."

- 1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the 2 following in lieu thereof:
- 3 "Section 1. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) As used in this section, 4 (1) "law enforcement unit" and "police officer" have the same meanings 5 as provided in section 7-294a of the general statutes, and (2) "opioid 6 antagonist" has the same meaning as provided in section 17a-714a of the general statutes.
- 8 (b) Each law enforcement unit shall (1) require its police officers to 9 receive training in the use of an opioid antagonist, and (2) acquire and 10 maintain a supply of opioid antagonists for use by its police officers when responding to a medical emergency. Any police officer who 12 completes such training shall be permitted to carry and administer an

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- opioid antagonist to an individual whom the officer believes in good faith is experiencing an opioid-related drug overdose.
- Sec. 2. (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section, (1) "epinephrine cartridge injector" has the same meaning as provided in section 19a-909 of the general statutes, and (2) "law enforcement unit" and "police officer" have the same meanings as provided in section 7-294a of the general statutes.
- 20 The Police Officer Standards and Training Council, in 21 consultation with the Departments of Emergency Services and Public 22 Protection and Public Health, shall convene a working group to examine 23 and make recommendations regarding the feasibility of requiring police 24 officers to carry and administer an epinephrine cartridge injector to an 25 individual whom the officer believes in good faith is experiencing 26 anaphylaxis. At a minimum, the working group shall (1) determine if 27 the need for such requirement exists by examining data on the use of 28 epinephrine cartridge injectors by police officers and other first 29 responders and balancing the potential benefit to the public with the 30 potential impact to the police officer and law enforcement unit, (2) 31 address issues associated with such requirement, including the cost of 32 implementation and training police officers in the administration of 33 epinephrine cartridge injectors, (3) consult a medical expert regarding 34 the shelf life and safe storage practices of epinephrine cartridge 35 injectors, and (4) if the working group determines the need for such 36 requirement exists, make recommendations for legislation regarding 37 implementation.
 - (c) Not later than January 1, 2023, the council shall submit a report on the findings and recommendations of the working group to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public safety and security, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The working group shall terminate on the date that the commissioner and council submit such final report or January 1, 2023, whichever is later."

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This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	from passage	New section
Sec. 2	from passage	New section